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16 August 1949

- 25X1 1. A train carrying the following materiel was standing at the FUERSTENWALDE (N 53/V 33) railroad station:

Three JS tanks  
 One T 34 tank  
 One canvas-covered tank  
 One armored cross-country car  
 One training tank without turret  
 One tank turret with gun barrel.

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- 25X1 The tank crews were with their tanks.

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2. A train of 20 railroad cars, each carrying four antitank guns, and of 15 railroad cars, each carrying a prime mover, left FUERSTENWALDE proceeding towards FRANKFURT/Oder. The train had been standing at the FUERSTENWALDE railroad station since 17 August 1949.

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23 and 24 August 1949

3. Railroad cars carrying 20 field guns of about 100 mm caliber and 12 antiaircraft guns of 37 mm caliber were observed on a classification track at the FUERSTENWALDE railroad station.

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4. A train carrying the following materiel was standing at the FUERSTENWALDE railroad station:

22 guns of about 150 mm caliber  
 20 guns of 76.2 mm caliber  
 6 short-barreled infantry guns of 76.2 mm caliber.

The train had been assembled the day before.

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5. Nine trucks with mounted rocket launchers were entrained at the FUERSTENWALDE railroad station. The trucks which had come from the former cable plant

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22 August to 2 September 1949

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a. Two trains carrying a total of 38 rocket launchers were standing at the FUERSTENWALDE railroad station between 22 and 31 August 1949.

b. A shipment of about 40 rocket launchers was dispatched in FUERSTENWALDE on 2 September 1949, going towards BERLIN-RUECHNIS-BORE.

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Comment: A local resident stated that 16 caterpillar tractors were entrained in FUERSTENWALDE on 16 August 1949 and dispatched towards FRANKFURT/Oder.

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Comment:

The report does not indicate whether the trains were bound for the east (evacuation of old weapons, or for the Soviet Zone of Germany (distribution of weapons to troop units). As numerous ordnance and equipment distributing points are known to be located in FUERSTENWALDE, the observed shipping activities between 16 August and 2 September 1949 were not unusual.

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